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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: ALKYLIDENE COMPLEXES OF  
RUTHENIUM CONTAINING N-  
HETEROCYCLIC CARBENE LIGANDS; USE  
AS HIGHLY ACTIVE, SELECTIVE  
CATALYSTS FOR OLEFIN METATHESIS

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Examiner: N. Gonzalez

**THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include two (2) sheets of drawings (Figures 1 and 2).

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.